FIVE-WEEK
DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week 1: "Leading with Integrity"

Reading: Chapters 1-2 Discussion Questions:

- 1. What are some current challenges in church leadership that you have observed? How can discernment help in identifying true church leaders?
- 2. What are the biblical qualifications for church leaders as outlined in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-9? How do these characteristics impact the church community?
- 3. What are some examples of false teachings you have encountered? How can church leaders and congregants work together to uphold the truth?
- 4. How can we as a congregation support and hold our leaders accountable? What practical steps can we take to encourage integrity in our church leadership?

Week 2: "An Empowered Congregation"

Reading: Chapter 3-4 Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does the Bible say about the role of the congregation in supporting church leadership? How can we foster a culture of mutual accountability?
- 2. Why is community important in the church? How can we practice mutual accountability within our church?
- 3. What are some ways we can actively participate in church life? How can we encourage others to get involved?
- 4. What steps can we take to engage more deeply in our church community? How can we support each other in our spiritual growth?

Week 3: "Mastering the Scriptures"

Reading: Chapters 5-6 Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why is biblical literacy important for both leaders and congregants? What are some challenges to achieving biblical literacy?
- 2. What are the dangers of ignorance and the importance of sound doctrine? How can we guard against false teachings?
- 3. What are some effective ways to study the Bible? How can we encourage each other to grow in our understanding of the Scriptures?
- 4. What commitment can we make to regular Bible study? How can we support each other in this commitment?

Week 4: "Living Out the Gospel"

Reading: Chapters 7-8 Discussion Questions:

- 1. What does it mean to be an ambassador for Christ? How can we represent Christ in our daily lives?
- 2. What are some practical ways to live out the gospel in our daily lives? How can we share the love of Christ with others?
- 3. How can we engage with our community in meaningful ways? What are some opportunities for outreach and service in our area?
- 4. How can we be intentional about representing Christ in our daily lives? What steps can we take to make a positive impact in our community?

Week 5: "Building a Thriving Church"

Reading: Chapters 9-10 Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why is a healthy church community important? What are some characteristics of a healthy church?
- 2. How can leadership contribute to building a healthy church community? What role does each member play in this process?
- 3. How can we work together to build a strong, supportive community? What are some practical steps we can take to foster unity and cooperation?
- 4. What commitment can we make to building a healthy church community? How can we support each other in this commitment?